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CAMPUS



Megan Jae Riggs/Montana Kaimin

Gov. Brian Schweitzer talks about the importance of hard work at the Graduation Matters event held Tuesday, Sept. 27 at Washington-Grizzly Stadium. Five Missoula County public schools attended with 920 high school freshmen. More than 2,000 Montana students drop out of school every year.

Rally promotes graduation

High school students hear importance of diploma during event at UM

Emily Zak
Montana Kaimin

Tristan Matt just started high school in Missoula, but he's already determined to graduate — something his two siblings never did.

"I'd be the first one," he said.

In a rally at Washington Grizzly Stadium on Tuesday, Gov. Brian Schweitzer and other officials spoke alongside local students to encourage Missoula freshmen — like Matt — to graduate.

More than 900 students from five county schools attended the rally organized by local

schools and the University of Montana. The rally was a part of a program called Graduation Matters Missoula that began in 2010 to prevent high school students from dropping out.

According to the Missoula County website, almost 3 percent of Missoula's high school students don't get diplomas, and high school drop outs earn \$143 less per week than students who graduate.

The students who may have benefitted from the rally most may not have even been there — students who regularly miss school their freshman year are 16 percent more likely to drop

out.

Bob Durringer, Vice President of Administration and Finance at UM, said some students probably skipped the rally — just as they might any regular school day. Durringer said students need to be motivated enough to seek help in order to receive it.

"Some of them can't be reached," he said.

The rally's message reached the students who were willing to hear it — like freshman Tristan Matt. Without a high school diploma, he said he'd have no opportunities.

"You can't really do any-

thing," Matt said.

Jordan Jorgenson, a senior at Hellgate High School, shared that same sentiment when he told the crowd his motivations for graduating this spring.

"The U.S. Marine Corps will not accept you if you haven't graduated high school," he said. "McDonalds will not accept you if you haven't graduated high school."

But speakers at the event said students should do more than just graduate — they should challenge themselves, too. Often, choices made in

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COT, Bitterroot campus see numbers rise

Main campus sees enrollment drop

Heidi Groover
Montana Kaimin

Enrollment is up at the University of Montana College of Technology and the Bitterroot College Program in Hamilton, but down at UM's main campus, according to enrollment numbers released Tuesday.

Fall semester enrollment for undergraduate and graduate programs at all of UM's campuses is at 15,669, up 27 from last fall. But enrollment at the COT and the Bitterroot campuses rose by 359, meaning the main campus saw a 332-student decrease, UM Registrar Ed Johnson said.

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UM professor given prestigious USDA award

Hannah J. Ryan
Montana Kaimin

The sun has not yet melted the frost from the sagebrush when male sage grouse begin their strutting. With inflated chests, the chicken-sized game birds work to woo their drab-brown hens and continue their species. This bird is fighting for survival and scientists across the country are banding together for this bird's preservation.

Those efforts were recently recognized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and one University of Montana professor's project was among them.

Wildlife biology professor Dave Naugle and his 33-member team of sage grouse re-

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TABOO COLUMN



NOBODY'S RIGHT

I want me a bromance

By Bekhi Spika

I kissed a girl — and I liked it. Unfortunately, there was no cherry chapstick involved.

When my friends found out about my lady-lips kiss, none of them jumped to the conclusion that I was a lesbian or ascribed any sort of social stigma to me. In fact, they weren't really surprised by it at all. I think there's this assumption in our society that women can kiss who they want and experiment as much as they want while still remaining straight.

Why is this? I suppose women touch each other (whether it is through hugs, kisses on the cheek or touches of consolation) often enough to make female affection accepted in our society. We're flirtatious, nurturing and affectionate creatures — so when we have a lesbian moment, there's little stigma attached because, hey, we're women. We're affectionate.

I'm dismayed by the fact that it's an entirely different story for men. If a straight man kisses another guy out of affection, I highly doubt our society accepts his affection as anything other than a homosexual act. It doesn't even have to be kissing — if a guy merely hugs another male in public, a lot of people question the sexual orientation of the men. We assume the only reason two guys would be publicly affectionate is because they're gay.

It seems a lot of these assumptions come from America's definition of what a heterosexual man should be. Typically, a heterosexual male is a guy who possesses qualities that oppose traditional female characteristics. If women are delicate, heterosexual men have to be brawny. If women are nurturing, real men have to be stern. If women are affectionate, manly men have to be unemotional.

I think the feminist movement tried to destroy this dichotomous characterization by encouraging women to adopt traditional male characteristics, such as economical independence and muscular fitness, into their lives. However, very few people or organizations encourage men to incorporate feminine qualities into their personalities. And heaven forbid anyone ever tells a guy that it's ok to be emotional with other men.

I wish male relationships were more like the bromances in movies. Hans Solo and Chewbacca had a solid bond untainted by female influence. Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid were great for each other. Captain Kirk and Mr. Spock were an unbeatable team. And who hasn't fallen in love with the relationship formed between Peter and Sydney in "I Love You, Man"?

I wonder if our society has infused all straight men with a homophobic core that rejects the bonding of two males. Thing is, though, men don't have to subscribe to the typical perception of what it means to be manly. I honestly think men who are comfortable with their qualities — feminine or not — are more macho than all the rest.

So seriously, America, it's time to break out the bromance.

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heard around the OVAL

INSIDE WASHINGTON-GRIZZLY STADIUM ABOUT A FOOTBALL PLAYER

"He has a nice ass, and he goes to school here."

ON THE OVAL

"What do you like more: sex or helicopters?"

OUTSIDE ABER HALL

"Walking was invented by Nazis."

ON THE OVAL

"Dude, I wasn't that drunk."

"You picked up a tennis ball, threw it at the grandfather clock and yelled, 'Charmander, I choose you.'"

EDITOR COLUMN

ARTS+CULTURE

Facebook vs. Google+

By Michael Beall, Arts+Culture Editor

The Internet is an addiction, and it's fueled by two companies: Facebook and Google. When I open my browser, the first two stops are Gmail and Facebook. It's almost like muscle memory.

I'm sure many by now are aware of the latest changes to Facebook, where you can get distracted by Facebook as you Facebook. The function is called the "timeline."

Founder Mark Zuckerberg compares his website to meeting a stranger, and the upcoming changes to the newsfeed that Facebook's annual convention laid out this month represents "the next few hours of deep conversation."

Apparently, since 2004 we've now introduced ourselves and passed the awkward "what have you been doing lately" stage. Thanks to social networking, there's no need to leave the computer screen. Load up video chats and you can see your friends. Click on the latest song a friend is enjoying on Spotify and you can listen to it, too. You can even read the same news as

friends and follow every conversation they're having.

It's alright — not like we need personal space or privacy anymore. So now our options are to let Facebook rule, dump all social networks, or be hip and non-conformist and join Google+.

Believe it or not, the latest Facebook changes are due to the company's sense of paranoia, and I'd be nervous, too, if Google had me in its sights.

Google+, the company's attempt at a social network site, went public this week. Its features are very similar to Facebook, but simplicity is Google's angle. Strip away all of the clutter of Facebook's timeline ticker and users can network without the headache. Instead of friend lists, Google uses circles, where you place friends into groups and share links or status updates based on who you want to view them.

Circles have been copied by Facebook's new "Smart Lists," which places friends into categories based on your relationships: acquaintances, work, family, etc.

Google+ also has video chat and "Sparks," which recommends links based upon your circle's interests. All of these options are loaded in the Google menu bar that's always visible when you're on Gmail, Google Docs, Google Maps and everything else Google.

If there's one thing that Google+ misses, however, it's the community. Sorry, but 43 million would only tie Google+ with Tanzania as the 30th largest country, where Facebook sits comfortably in 3rd behind only China and India.

In Zuckerberg's keynote address at f8 he stated, "Last year we announced the open graph, so you could connect to all the things in the world. This year, we're taking the next step — we're going to make it so that you can connect to anything you want in any way you want."

It's a little scary when powerful people and/or companies make statements of this sort, but it's no secret that between Facebook and Google, the two giants know virtually everything and can connect you to whatever they don't. The main thing they want to connect you to, of course, are ads — the real way you are "paying" for these "free" services.

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•CORRECTION: The Kaimin incorrectly reported suicide rates in a story Tuesday. National suicide rates increased from 10.4 suicides for every 100,000 deaths in 2000 to 11.8 in 2008, and the state was ranked second in the nation in 2007 when 19.45 out of every 100,000 deaths were suicides.

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searchers received a Secretary's Honor Award, the USDA's most prestigious recognition, for their project, the Sage Grouse Initiative.

"I'm humbled by this award," Naugle said, "but the true conservation heroes are private landowners who provide for wildlife on their working ranches."

Naugle and others across the country created the Sage Grouse Initiative in 2010, a program designed to protect habitat by working with landowners to increase the bird's chances of survival. In 11 Western states, \$113 million has been pooled in the program.

"It's pretty special that the team effort by our group was recognized out of all of 28 agencies in the USDA," said Roylene Rides At The Door, member of the Sage Grouse Initiative team and lead conservationist for Washington State.

Though this is an honorary recognition, not a financial award, Rides At The Door said the selection by USDA Secretary Tom Vil-

sack is significant – the Secretary's Honor Award is the USDA's most prestigious award. In her 20 years working in conservation, Rides at the Door has only once been part of a group that received this award.

For sage grouse and their protectors, it's a struggle against the odds: Though a grouse's mottled plumage help it blend in with the prairie, its population is dwindling nationally. Its camouflage does not protect it from roads and fences, oil and gas drilling, and food sources ploughed up for cultivation.

The sage grouse is but one example for a nationwide trend: increasingly, government agencies are retaining threatened species as "candidates" for the Endangered Species Act rather than giving them the status of "endangered." It's cheaper that way.

High costs — it costs about \$600,000 to initially list an animal — are stretching the purse strings of conservation organizations. Funding is limited, and the backlog is growing. The list of candidates for the Endangered Species Act is already up to 250.

"We are needing to focus what we have, to get more bang for our buck," said Linda Gaumer, budgetary coordinator for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. "It's doing more with less and we don't anticipate more money, that's for certain."

Starting to protect sage grouse now is important because restoring a population after it is listed as endangered would be more difficult, Naugle said.

"Once Humpty Dumpty fell off the wall, he's broke, there's not much we can do for him," Naugle said. "With sage grouse, we don't want to let them fall."

"It's all about focusing enough of the right resources in the right places if we expect these bird populations to respond positively. UM is a special place where faculty get the chance to make real-world contributions."

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Associate professor Dave Naugle poses outside of the Forestry building on Tuesday. Naugle helped found the Sage Grouse Initiative in 2010.



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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

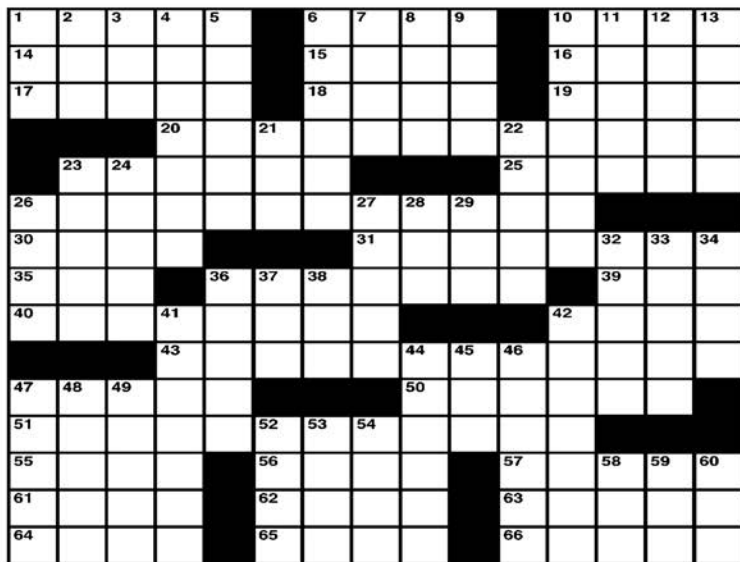
Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS

- 1 Olds compact
- 6 State secrets?
- 10 "Casablanca" character
- 14 Logger's competition
- 15 Get to
- 16 Like Switz. in WWII
- 17 Bottomless pit
- 18 Strike callers
- 19 Major—
- 20 "Test that sounds easier than it often is"
- 23 Fill with bubbles
- 25 Major stories
- 26 "End of discussion"
- 30 Weather map figures
- 31 Symbol of strict control
- 35 Cycle opener
- 36 "Z's"
- 39 Compete
- 40 She has a memorable smile
- 42 Hamlet, for one
- 43 "Thing to do before a heist"
- 47 Scrub, at NASA
- 50 Either "Cathy's Clown" singer
- 51 What the first words of the answers to starred clues describe
- 55 Genesis victim
- 56 Swedish furniture giant
- 57 Egg holders
- 61 Hindu royal
- 62 Tumbled
- 63 Corkers?
- 64 Howard's wife, to the Fonzy
- 65 Offended, with "off"
- 66 Homework assignment

DOWN

- 1 Notre Dame's Parseghian



By Bruce Venzke and Gail Grabowski

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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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- 2 Tennis tactic
- 3 Bridge guru
- 4 Vacation destinations
- 5 Brass band sound
- 6 Brown-haired boy
- 7 Trunk attachment
- 8 Chow chow
- 9 Affectionate gesture con los labios
- 10 Thorough
- 11 April 1605 pope
- 12 "Poison" shrub
- 13 Elemental bits
- 21 Greek vowel
- 22 "The Family Circus" cartoonist
- 23 "Bullying is ___!": school rule
- 24 Dickens's Drood
- 26 Homecoming guest
- 27 Occupy, in a way
- 28 Roman numeral
- 29 Today, in Toledo
- 32 Help
- 33 Dolt
- 34 Bug bugger

- 36 November ticket
- 37 Embroidered word
- 38 Put to the test
- 41 Painter's medium
- 42 Half-story windows
- 44 Cape May County weekly
- 45 Time for celebration
- 46 Foster's dream girl
- 47 Security device
- 48 Kid-lit elephant
- 49 "Hee Haw" host
- 52 Break
- 53 ___-Ball
- 54 Manuscript marking
- 58 Family nickname
- 59 Org. with body scanners
- 60 Retiring

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If it's not recyclable, then it's
probably trash.

You moan with pleasure as
you finish your hot, throbbing
burger. Then you rush to a UM
recycling station, a greasy paper plate clutched
in your moist, trembling hand.



But now what? Where
do you stuff it? The labels on
the bins say NEWSPAPER.



And MIXED PAPER. And
CARDBOARD. And
ALUMINUM/TIN/PLASTIC.



Then you see it: TRASH.

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looking for. Suddenly you
sense that keeping
trash separate from
recyclables will bring the University oh
so much closer to its Climate Action Plan goals.



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program? Do you dare
come to our website?

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Sally Finneran/MONTANA KAIMIN

senior, punter

SEAN WREN

Nickname: Wrenner
Age: 22
Major: Political science
Hometown: Yorba Linda, Calif.
Pregame music on my iPod: I don't really listen to too much music before the game; I just try to stay focused.
Favorite TV show: 24
Favorite food: Pizza
What sport I would play if not football: Volleyball
Favorite activity: Fishing
Favorite team as a kid: USC Trojans
Would like to trade places for a day with: The president of the United States
Favorite city to visit: Boston
Talent I'd love to have: Be really fast
My individual and team goal this season: Win the national championship
Motto: Hard work gets you where you want to go.

SEAN WREN

LAUREN McCREATH junior, midfield

Name: Lauren McCreath
Major: Human biology
Age: 21
Hometown: Boise, Idaho
Nickname: Raptor
On my iPod: My Chemical Romance and Lil Wayne
Favorite TV show: The Office and The Daily Show
Favorite food: Salmon
What sport I would play if not soccer: Volleyball
Individual goal: Get into medical school
Team goal: Make it to the conference tournament and win conference
Favorite activity: Snowboarding
Favorite team as a kid: Kansas City Chiefs
Would like to trade places for a day with: Stephen Colbert
Favorite city to visit: San Diego
Talent I'd like to have: Draw
Motto: Character is who you are when nobody is looking.



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LAUREN McCREATH

XC
freshman

running with the sharks

Alexandria Valdez
Montana Kaimin

The pressure was on for 17-year-old Allie Parks. It was the Colorado 4A state cross-country meet and she was back to defend her title or lose it.

"It was a lot scarier; I knew what I would be missing out on if I didn't make it there again," Parks said about going into the final meet.

Many had hinted to her about having a repeat, and after she ran her season, she found herself once again where she was a year before. Parks said many things could have gone wrong, but it all ended up falling into place as she went on to repeat as state champion.

Fast-forward to Sept. 17 in Bozeman and the Colorado native found herself in a whole new world.

She was representing the University of Montana as a freshman Division I runner going up against more than 100 other women who were running for the same finish line. The team's only senior, Kesslee Payne, was unable to run due to injury and Ani Haas was still waiting on word from the NCAA on her eligibility status, leaving Parks and five others to represent Montana.

Before the race started, she felt her heart beating, the unknown loomed before her, and she said she heard a silence settle over everyone. Her one goal

was to run a race that would be memorable and a moment she would be proud of looking back on.

The starting gun fired.

When she finished her three miles in 18:39, Parks had no idea where she finished overall. She saw fellow freshman Carly Wilczynski in front of her and sophomore Keli Dennehy a few times, but thought she finished in the mid-twenties, so she was shocked to hear that she finished 10th out of 104 runners.

"Collegiate running is really humbling because you're all of a sudden working harder than you have before," Parks said on the difference between collegiate running versus high school. "It's all of a sudden being in a shark tank after being in a pond full of minnows, it's a big jump. It's inspiring. It makes me want to be a shark, too."

Everyone was excited about their performances, Parks said, especially head coach Courtney Babcock. Parks said she was positive about the women's performance and proud of where everyone finished in the first meet of the season.

Babcock's positive mentality and enthusiasm attracted Parks to the University her senior year of high school. Once the offers started pouring in from different schools, she had several options: the University of Kansas, Colorado State, Mesa State, Oregon State, the Univer-



Nick Gast/Montana Kaimin

Freshman Allie Parks runs 100 yard sprints during cross country practice Monday in Washington-Grizzly Stadium.

sity of Montana and Montana State. Her options were varied, but she was drawn toward Montana for its positive energy from the athletes and Babcock.

On the days that are strenuous in practice or life, Parks recalls her trips down to Costa Rica and Guatemala with her church, First Congregational. In both countries, she helped build houses for families. Carrying all of the heavy materials in the heat to the houses gave her a mental toughness, she

said — something that she carries with her today.

"I think about those people all the time. They have so little, but they act like they have so much," Parks said. "They helped us more than we helped them."

She took away character traits like selflessness, learned to not be materialistic and gained the perspective that when she thinks she's having a bad day, to always think what the people of Costa Rica and

Guatemala's bad days must feel like.

During her years in high school, Parks never imagined she would be crowned a back-to-back 4A state cross country champion — a feat never to be accomplished by a woman in her Colorado county. The four years of training paid off for her in high school and launched her into four more years of collegiate chances.

For now, Parks will continue swimming with the sharks.

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Supernova shows flash from past

Observatory viewing offers stellar glimpse into galaxy's history

Camillia Lanham
Montana Kaimin

Visitors to this Friday's public viewing at the Blue Mountain Observatory will get a chance to view a recently-found supernova through its 16-inch telescope.

The viewing is the last of five that the University of Montana Department of Physics and Astronomy offered this summer. Generally, the event sees 100-250 people who drive 4.5 miles up the Blue Mountain Road, which is impassable most of the year, said astronomy professor Nate McCrady.

A crew of volunteers, students and professors staffs the viewing and everyone gets a turn to see the night sky through the telescope. The department does it as a way of

getting the greater community interested in astronomy, said astronomy junior John Crawford, who volunteers to help with the outreach.

"It's an important part of our lives that's easy to forget about," Crawford said. "Understanding our place in the bigger picture puts a good perspective on our history and our future with our planet."

Two smaller telescopes will be set up outside the observatory as well. In addition to viewing the supernova, stargazers can check out globular clusters that are 25,000 light-years away, and galaxies like the Andromeda, which is 2.5 million light-years away.

At a distance of 21 million light-years away, the supernova SN2011fe is the closest of its kind the earth has seen in 40

years, said Kelsey Milner, a senior in astronomy who recently took 180 images of the supernova.

"We are essentially looking back in time," Milner said. "This star no longer exists. For this three-month period, we are just now receiving the light."

The star was sighted on Aug. 24, its peak brightness was a little over a week ago, and we're on the downhill slide, Milner said. But the star is still brighter than the 100 billion other stars in its galaxy combined and it will be viewable for another few weeks.

Milner did not use the Blue Mountain Observatory telescope to take his images; he said he's never even been up there. What he did use was an 11-inch telescope on a tripod that he set up on the roof of the

Skaggs Building.

While Blue Mountain is a great site for public viewings, it's not a research-grade facility because the technology is from the 1970s, McCrady said. One of the downfalls of the telescope is that it's not computerized and has to be moved manually.

"It doesn't have the pinpoint precision needed for modern-day research," McCrady said. "But, it's a great telescope to look through because it has an eyepiece and most modern-day telescopes don't because they use electronic imaging to detect things."

For more information on the public viewing call 406-243-5179 or visit their website www.physics.umt.edu/blue-mountain.com/.

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Check out the Philip L. Wright Zoological Museum in the Natural Sciences building and its collection of 21,000 rare specimens from a flesh-eating beetle colony to animal skins and fossils.

2 BLUE GOLD: WORLD WATER WARS

9/29 @ 7 p.m.

The Peace and Justice Film Series takes a look into how we are abusing our supply of fresh water. The film poses the question of what if the world goes into a "water war." GBB 123.

3 HOMECOMING ART FAIR

9/29 @ 9 a.m.

The UC Atrium will host handcrafted art from local and regional artists, as well as live music, from Thursday through Saturday.

4 HOMECOMING PARADE

10/1 @ 10 a.m.

Head over to Higgins Avenue before the Griz kickoff for the annual Homecoming Parade to see floats made by local businesses.

5 INSANE CLOWN POSSE AT THE WILMA

10/1 @ 7 p.m.

Head down to see ICP. If it's not for the music, it could be a good place to observe Missoula's juggalos. Tickets are \$27.

Rockin'and Runnin'

Missoula AIDS Council pumps up the awareness

Emily Downing
Montana Kaimin

Imagine a race where you can dress up with friends, run through obstacles set up by community sponsors, be greeted at the finish by a drag queen in an enormous white feather headdress and listen to bands play every mile. Picture that and you've got the Missoula AIDS Council's Rockin' Race, which debuted Sunday morning.

The race, which was intended to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS, followed a route through the Northside and Westside neighborhoods. Local bands Wartime Blues, Kung Fu Kongress, Secret Powers, the Chalfonts, the Shahs, Vera and Sick Kids XOXO all played music to pump racers up along the race's 5k and 10k courses.

Christa Weathers, the executive director of the Missoula AIDS Council, helped organize the race. She said a race was a natural idea for an event promoting sexual health and AIDS awareness, as it embodied health. They also wanted to keep the atmosphere light and celebrative, she said, which is why they decided to invite local bands to play.

"It was important to emphasize the celebration of the successes — all the people with AIDS who are living healthy lives," Weathers said, calling the event more of a production than a race. "We wanted to keep the seriousness of the disease in the background."

Local organizations were also invited to sponsor sections of the course in order to raise funds for the council. Groups who participated were invited to entertain and inter-



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Runners begin the 10K Rock 'n' Race Sunday morning in downtown Missoula.

act with runners passing their sections. Roe Erin, the project manager of the YWCA's Girls Using Their Strengths program, said it was a no-brainer for the program to sponsor a course section and come out and cheer runners through the obstacle course GUTS set up on the pedestrian bridge over the train tracks.

"We really like to have fun, especially when it involves glitter and dancing," she said.

Madison Lynn was stationed at the corner of Waverly and Defoe on the Northside playing self-described "acoustic thunderpants" rock with his band the Chalfonts. He said the race gave his band the opportunity to play with well-

known local bands, even if the race environment wasn't exactly a typical concert setting.

"It's interesting to have your audience be people who are trying to move past you very quickly," he said. "A lot of them managed to be enthusiastic anyway, which was great."

Weathers said race organizers were just happy none of the bands were shut down for being too noisy — not that it was a major concern for an 11 a.m. race. She said the real success, though, was that the race got as much community support as it did. Nearly 200 people registered to race and even more contributed through spon-

sorships and donations, which she called a good turnout for a first-time event.

"People can be leery of first-year races, so we're just happy people turned up," she said. "This year was all about laying the groundwork for next year."

It was also a perfect opportunity to get Missoula's expansive running community out and having a good time, Weathers said.

"There's something every weekend where you can just go out and run for the sake of running," she said. "There are not nearly as many races that are more about the fun and the wackiness."

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"Enrollment fluctuations are part of the norm," Johnson said. "We can't expect to set a new enrollment record every year."

He said a weak economy and low high school graduation rates in Montana could be to blame for the decrease on the main campus.

Another reason could be that students are now able to take classes only at the COT to get an associate degree, which used to require enrolling first

at the main campus, then at the COT. President Engstrom reiterated that theory in the press release announcing enrollment

office considers full time — 15 for undergraduates and 12 for graduates, Johnson said. This semester's enrollment numbers

address enrollment, Johnson said.

"The campus always looks very carefully at these numbers," he said. "We look at a lot of reports to try to understand what these numbers mean and what this means for the future

of the campus."

Johnson said administrators have not yet calculated specific graduate and undergraduate enrollment, but will be doing so and releasing those numbers in coming weeks.

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"We can't expect to see a new enrollment record every year."
—Ed Johnson, UM registrar

numbers.

The University measures enrollment in full-time equivalency, or FTE, which is calculated by dividing the total number of credits UM students are taking by the number the registrar's

showed a decrease number of in-state FTE, but an increase in out-of-state and distance-learning FTE.

The administration will now analyze the numbers to decide if any new initiatives need to

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high school affect students in the future.

"Going to high school is not a dress rehearsal," said Alex Apostle, the Missoula County superintendent. "It's the real deal."

Although Sentinel High School student Andrea Schmidt said she already understood graduation is important, she said the event was a nice break from her school day.

"You get to have a refreshing pep rally," Schmidt said.

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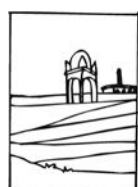
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